## 31 AUGUST 2023 ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA

Having consulted the local judicial officials, I hereby determine and declare under N.C.G.S. § 7A-39(b)(1) that catastrophic conditions resulting from Hurricane Idalia exist or have existed in Columbus County. Pursuant to statutory authority, I therefore extend the time and periods of limitation for filing and for acts due to be done in Columbus County, as follows:

I order that all pleadings, motions, notices, and other documents and papers that were due to be filed in Columbus County between the dates of 31 August 2023 and 8 September 2023 in civil actions, criminal actions, estates, and special proceedings shall be deemed to be timely filed if they are filed before the close of business on 11 September 2023.

I further order that all other acts that were due to be done in Columbus County between the dates of 31 August 2023 and 8 September 2023 in civil actions, criminal actions, estates, and special proceedings shall be deemed to be timely done if they are done before the close of business on 11 September 2023.

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This order becomes effective on 31 August 2023. Issued this the 31st day of August, 2023.

Paul Newby

Chief Justice

Supreme Court of North Carolina

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